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SUBJECT: WORLD FOOD COUNCIL MEETING SITE

1. SOMETIME PRIOR TO THE FOURTH MINISTERIAL MEETING OF
THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (JUNE 12-14, MEXICO CITY), THE
BUREAU OF THE COUNCIL IS EXPECTED TO DECIDE ON A RECOM-
MENDED SITE FOR THE 5TH MINISTERIAL JUNE 1979. IT IS,
HOWEVER, POSSIBLE THAT THEY MAY CHOOSE TO LET THE COUNCIL
ITSELF DECIDE THE MATTER IN JUNE. AT THE 3RD SESSION OF
THE COUNCIL NIGERIA INDICATED INTEREST IN HOSTING A
FUTURE SESSION OF THE COUNCIL BUT STIPULATED NO PARTICULAR
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YEAR. WE HAVE IMPRESSION WFC SECRETARIAT BELIEVES THIS
SHOULD BE 1979. WHILE WE DO NOT PARTICULARLY WISH TO
STIMULATE NIGERIA TO PURSUE THE INVITATION IF THEY ARE
NOT ALREADY SO INCLINED, WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE
NIGERIANS DO EXPECT TO HOST THE 5TH SESSION OF THE WFC.

2. FYI ONLY. SUDAN INDICATED LAST YEAR ITS WILLINGNESS

TO HOLD THIS YEAR'S MEETING, AND THE SECRETARIAT BELIEVES
THAT THE INVITATION ALSO MAY BE REPEATED FOR 1979.
(EMBASSY KHARTOUM SHOULD NOT RPT NOT RAISE THIS QUESTION
LOCALLY, BUT IF ISSUE HAS BEEN RAISED WE WOULD APPRECIATE
KNOWING CONTEXT, ETC.) IT ALSO IS POSSIBLE THAT EARLIER
SUDANESE INVITATION HAS BEEN QUIETLY DROPPED, AS WAS THE

CASE WITH ARGENTINIAN PROPOSAL MADE AT 3RD WFC SESSION. VANCE

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